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DATE: June 22, 2020

TO: Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst

FROM: Council President Georgette Gómez, Ninth Council District

SUBJECT: Request Analysis on the San Diego Police Department's Fiscal Year 2021 Budget

In light of recent events, it has become increasingly clear that as elected leaders we must move forward and evaluate the San Diego Police Department's budget, policies, and programs. To do so, it is critical that we have a thorough understanding of the makeup of the department's expenditures to help guide any future policy changes for this department.

As your office analyzes the FY21 SDPD budget expenditures, I respectfully request that the following items be included as part of the analysis:

- ❖ Total expenditures for SDPD training as well as information on the type of training provided and frequency.
- ❖ Total expenditures for this department related to homelessness outreach including overtime, etc.
- ❖ Total expenditures for purchase and maintenance of military-style equipment.
- ❖ Total expenditures by the gang suppression unit for the last 3 fiscal years including a breakdown of expenses for activities conducted or expected to be conducted this fiscal year by this unit in each of the neighborhood divisions.
- ❖ Under the FY20 budget cycle, the Office of Homeland Security was placed under the purview of the San Diego Police Department. What has been the impact since the Office of Homeland Security and SDPD merged into one department?

In addition to looking into the General Fund expenditures, I believe it is equally important to look at other non-General Fund funds such as the Seized Asset Fund, State COPS, etc.. that support this department. Therefore, I would like to request a breakdown of any personnel and non-personnel expenditures supported by these funds.

I look forward to receiving your response on these questions and the overall analysis. The community has expressed loud and clear that the time is now to explore police reform, and we must look into all available options.

Thank you for your time and consideration. My office stands available if you need any further information. Please reach out to Gloria Cardenas at (619) 236-6681 for any questions and concerns.